Introduced by Assembly Member Bass

February 11, 2009

An act relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 262, as introduced, Bass. American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan: energy activities, programs, or projects.

Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission, State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and the Department of Water Resources to undertake various programs related to energy and water conservation.

This bill would require that any moneys received by the state pursuant to the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan that are directed for energy related activities, programs, or projects, be administered by the state's energy and water agencies, and provide that those activities, programs, or projects should adhere to the principle of accountability while also adhering to existing state policies to promote energy efficiency, promote water conservation, promote the development and use of renewable energy resources, protect the environment, and provide green job training.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Any moneys received pursuant to the federal
- 2 American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan that are directed for

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1 energy related activities, programs, or projects, including energy

- 2 efficiency programs, projects for the building of electrical
- 3 transmission, and activities to create conservation or "green-collar"
- 4 jobs, shall be administered by the appropriate state energy and
- 5 water agencies and should adhere to the principle of accountability
- 6 while also adhering to existing state policies to promote energy
- 7 efficiency, including green building practices, promote water
- 8 conservation, promote the development and use of renewable
- energy resources, protect the environment, and provide green job
- 10 training.